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LaCour Mum On Garrison Money Probe

U.S. Attorney Louis LaCour today declined comment on a statement by District Attorney Jim Garrison that the federal government has launched a probe of Garrison's personal financial affairs.

Garrison, who said he learned of the investigation about four months ago when two Internal Revenue agents came to his office, blamed the probe on an attempt to discredit him, slow down his Kennedy assassination investigation and an effort to connect him with the Louisiana Loan & Thrift Corp. case.

One IRS agent asked to see his 1965 and 1966 income tax returns, said Garrison, and then later two agents visited him seeking information. He has refused ot cooperate in the probe, said Garrison, because "it is obvious harassment."